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Dear Sir:

In response to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Action  
dated October 8, 2002, having a shortened statutory period for  
response set to expire January 8, 2003, please amend the above-  
identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 16 and 32 as follows.

16. (Twice amended) A process for production of an  
artificial tooth substitute to be fitted on a prepared dental  
stump comprising the steps of:

selecting a preprepared block of porous ceramic material

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